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1. Mr. Kirkpatrick plans to cable Gen. Truscott to find out the circumstances of his contact with Congressman Thomas and the reasons which led Gen. Truscott to assign an escort officer to the Congressman and furnish the Congressman with information regarding CIA activities.

2. Sen. Smith (R., N. J.) has not yet determined whether he will go abroad this fall, but we will be in touch with his office to find out his final decision.

25X1A 3. With reference to the Beria case, word has been received from senior representative [redacted] indicating CIA should proceed with caution, if at all. Message has been dispatched to senior rep-
25X1A resentative [redacted] to proceed immediately as originally directed. The DCI has informed Mr. Flanagan of these developments and has also informed Mr. McLeod at the Department of State.

25X1A [redacted] 4. Mr. Pforzheimer has been advised, on a confidential basis, that Roy Cohn, Counsel to Senator McCarthy, is the source of the leak to Walter Winchell regarding the DCI's meeting with Mr. Flanagan on 3 October regarding Beria. (Have informed Eric Timm).

5. Mr. Frank Carr, of the staff of the Senate Investigating Committee, informed me that Senator Potter, of the Committee, proposed to get in touch with the DCI regarding their current investigation of the Korean atrocities, to see whether CIA may be of some assistance to the Committee. The DCI is calling Senator Potter on this matter.

6. Mr. Carr, of the Senate Investigating Committee staff, arranged for me to read the Executive Session testimony of Messrs. Blattenberger and Cole, the Public Printer and Deputy Public Printer, respectively, in which references were made to possible access by Communist employees of the GPO to CIA material. These references were all in Executive Session, but were then the subject of public

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pronouncements by Senators McCarthy and Dirksen. Although the printed record is now closed, I will draft a proposed letter from the DCI to Senator McCarthy on this subject pointing out that no such access was ever had.

25X1A 7. Senior representative [redacted] has cabled requesting instructions should he be approached by the Brownson Subcommittee, of the House Committee on Government Operations, which will be in 25X1A [redacted] I have prepared a reply informing him that no members of the Subcommittee have been briefed and that if possible he should avoid all contact. I have delivered the reply to 25X1A [redacted] of DD/P for transmittal. Subsequently, in reply to a call from Gen. Balmer's office, I informed the General that the 25X1A Subcommittee planned to visit [redacted] and that therefore if he had any interest in his installation there they should be included in a warning. In addition, I have coordinated the cable with AD/OO, who feels that it will not be necessary for him to send any message to the field.

25X1A 8. Senior representative [redacted] advises that Congressman 25X1A Sikes' party is arriving in [redacted] on 8 October and that the Congressman had requested a CIA briefing. Senior representative proposes to brief along the lines of the recent briefing of Congressman Thomas. The Director's concurrence in this procedure has been sent.

9. Met with Senator Ellender (D., La.) to discuss with him various aspects of his trip abroad. (See Memorandum for the Record this date).

25X1A 10. In connection with a request from [redacted] that special arrangements be made to allow Col. Gano, G-2 to Gen. Anders, to have a special tour of the White House, I discussed the matter with John Baker, Deputy Chief, PP, who is inclined to think that such special handling is not warranted at the present time.

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